

AGENDA TITLE: Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of Resolution Levying Annual (2010) Assessment

for Downtown Lodi Business Improvement Area No. 1 and Confirming the Downtown Lodi Business Partnership 2009-10 Annual Report (as Approved by Council on August

19,2009)

MEETING DATE: September 2,2009

PREPARED BY: City Manager

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Conduct public hearing to consider adoption of resolution levving

annual (2010) assessment for Downtown Lodi Business Improvement Area No. 1 and confirming the Downtown Lodi Business Partnership 2009-10 Annual Report (as approved by Council on August 19,2009).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Downtown Lodi Business ImprovementArea No. 1 2009-10

Annual Report was presented and approved by the City Council on August 19, 2009. The Council established September 2, 2009, as

the public hearing date during which time the public would have an opportunity to present written or oral protests to the assessment being proposed. The public hearing is established pursuant to Section 36535 of the California Streets & Highways Code.

Pursuant to Lodi Municipal Code Section 12.06.110: The purpose of this process is to comply with the Act provisions regarding public notice and hearing prior to establishing the benefit fees for the following billing period. City shall not adopt, modify, or otherwise amend any billing period budget of the area that is inconsistent in any way with such billing period's budget as agreed to and presented by the board except in the case of a written majority protest (regarding elimination or modification of any specific budget item) from business owners which will pay 50 percent or more of the fees proposed to be levied as to any specific budget item pursuant to the Streets and Highways Code Section 36525(b). In such case, the written protest regarding any specific budget item shall be grounds to eliminate or modify such expenditure from the area's proposed budget pursuant to the written protest.

Streets and Highways Code 36535(c) states: At the conclusion of the public hearing, the City Council may adopt a resolution confirming the report as originally filed or as changed by it. The adoption of the resolution shall constitute the levy of an assessment for the fiscal year referred to in the report.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Downtown Lodi Business Partnership (DLBP) was established in order to

create the mechanisms necessary to give Downtown Lodi the ability to

compete regionally as a shopping center and entertainment destination.

The purpose of the assessment is to pool contributions of individual business owners in order to provide the DLBP with the resources to provide marketing and events coordination.

FUNDING AVAILABLE: As collected by the City on behalf of the DLBP.

Blair King

City Manager

Attachments

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APPROVED: Blair-King, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-122

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LODI CONFIRMING THE 2010 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE DOWNTOWN LODI BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA NO. 1 AND LEVY OF ASSESSMENT

WHEREAS, Downtown Lodi Business Improvement Area No. I was established December 17, 1997, by Council adoption of Ordinance No. 1654; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report, as required by Streets and Highways Code \$36533, has been submitted to the City Council by the Board of Directors of said Improvement Area; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held as required by Streets and Highways Code \$36535 on September 2, 2009, in the City Council Chambers at Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street, Lodi, California, at 7:00 pm., or as soon thereafter as possible, to consider protests to the assessment levy.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby resolve, determine, and find as follows:

- 1) The required public hearing was duly held, at which time the public was allowed to present written or oral protests to the levy of assessment for Downtown Lodi Business Improvement Area No. 1.
- 2) A majority protest as defined in the Streets and Highways Code \$36525 was not made.
- 3) The 2009-10 Annual Report as submitted on August 19,2009, by the Board of Directors of the Improvement Area to the City Council is hereby confirmed as originally filed and attached hereto.
- 4) The confirmation of the report and adoption of this resolution constitutes the levy of the assessment as contained in the Annual Report for the calendar year 2010.

Date: September 2, 2009

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2009-122 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held September 2, 2009, by the following vote:

AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Katzakian, and Mayor Hansen

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - Johnson and Mounce

ABSTAIN:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

RAND/JOHL City Clerk



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August 10,2009

Mr. Blair King, City Manager City of Lodi 221 W. Pine Street Lodi. CA 95240

Re: Annual Report 2009

Dear Blair:

Section 11.0 of the City Ordinance Number 1654, establishing the Downtown Lodi Business Improvement Area, requires that we submit to you by September of each year our annual report and budget.

In addition, the State of California **Streets** and Highways code, which is the enabling legislation, also specifies that certain additional information be provided. You will find all of the required information contained in our report.

We have provided you with eight copies five for the City Council, one for the City Clerk, one for City Attorney and one for yourself.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Jaime Watts, Executive Director

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Downtown Lodi Business Partnership

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In the office of the Secretary of of the Stale of California

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

DOWNTOWN LODI BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP

A California Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation

One: The name of the corporation is Downtown Lodi. Business Partnership (A California Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation).

Two: This corporation is 4 nonprofit mutual benefit corporation organized under the Nonprofit Mutual Benefit Corporation Law. The purpose of this corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a corporation may be organized under such law.

Such purposes for which this corporation is formed are to promote and improve the downtown Lodi business area, to generally improve business conditions in the downtown area, and to generally enhance the downtown area of the City of Lodi. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not engage in any activities or exercise any powers that ire not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

Three: The name and address of the corporation's initial agent for service of process is Ronald M. Beckman, Esq., 111 N. Church Street, Lodi, California, 95240.

Four: The right to determine the consideration for which memberships will be issued shall be vested in the Regular Members, to be determined by a majority vote of the Regular Members in good standing.

Five: No pan of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member or private shareholder, as defined for purposes of Section 501 (c) (5) of the Itnernal Revenue Code of 1954.

Dated: March 31, 1998

Ronald M. Beckman, Incorporator







2009 ANNUAL REPORT

Items listed below refer to Section 36533(b) of the California Streets and Highway Code:

No changes in boundaries of benefit zones within the area are proposed.

No physical improvements are planned.

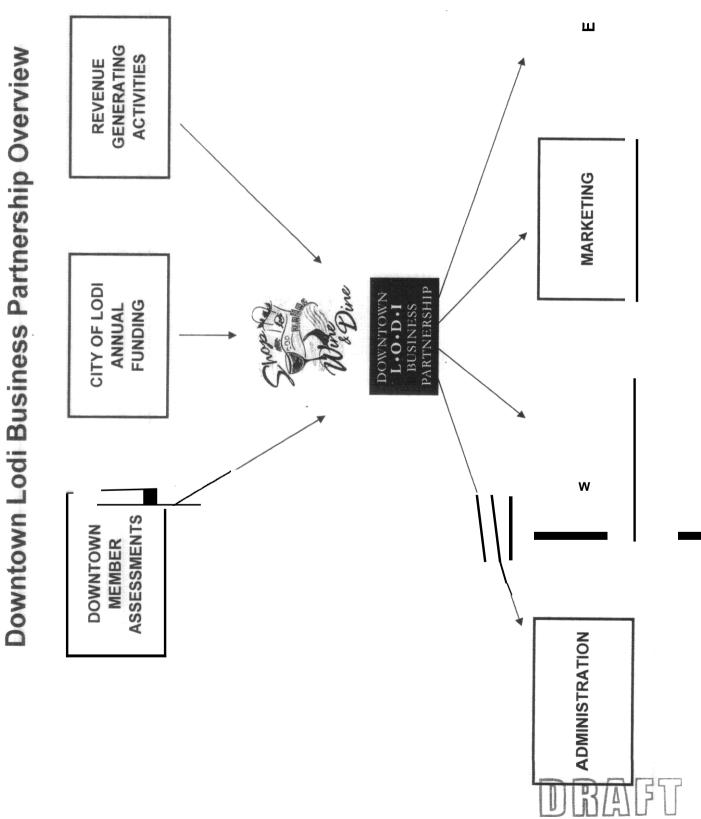
Budget for the 2009 calendar year is enclosed.

The budget details all sources of income and projected expenses.

A Benefit Fee Schedule and a Map of the Business Improvement Area are enclosed.







Downtown Lodi Business Partnership Proposed Budget January I, 2009 through December 31, 2009

Income	
Assessment Fees	38000.00
City of Lodi	31950.00
Event Revenue	
Farmers Market	55000.00
Parade of Lights	15000.00
Street Banner Program	3000.00
Grape Festival Youth Parade	1000.00
Community Trick-or-Treat& Fall Fest	300.00
Winterfest	2500.00
Miscellaneous Events & Sales	<u>5000.00</u>
Total Income	151750.00
Expenses	
Event Expenses	
Farmers Market	27000.00
Parade of Lights	3000.00
Street Banner Program	600.00
Grape Festival Youth Parade	700.00
Community Trick-or-Treat & Fall Fest	500.00
Winterfest	2500.00
Miscellaneous Events & Sales	1000.00
Marketing Expenses	
Advertising, Marketing & Promotions	4000.00
Travel	1800.00
Public Relations	1000.00
Seminars & Conferences	1500.00
Website	2000.00
Membership Expenses	
Newsletters	600.00
Quarterly Mixers	250.00
Plaques & Trophies	400.00
Sunshine Committee	500.00
Revitalization Expenses	
Downtown Beautification	5000.00
Kiosk Maintenance	1500.00



Administrative	
Director's Salary	47100.00
Staff Wages	12000.00
Payroll Taxes	5200.00
Contract Labor	500.00
Insurance	12000.00
Professional Fees	2700.00
Rent	4800.00
Storage	2000.00
Office Supplies	4000.00
Office Equipment	500.00
Bank & Merchant Fees	600.00
Postage	500.00
Utilities (phone, internet, etc.)	<u>6000.00</u>
Total Expenses	151750.00

Net Income

0.00

08/09/09 Cash Basis

Downtown Lodi Business Partnership Profit & Loss

January through December 2008

Jan - Dec 08

Ordinary Income/Expense Income	
City of Lodi Funds Member Assessment Fees Event Revenue	35,000.00 41,190.00
Advertising 8 Promotion Revenue Beverage Sales Parade Entry Fees Sponsorship Vendor Fee Other Income	2,855.00 25,749.90 6,515.00 19,806.00 31,091.00 4.290.00
Total Event Revenue	90,306.90
Total Income	166,496.90
Expense Reconciliation Discrepancies Administrative Expenses Licenses & Permits Bank Service Charges Contract Labor Dues and Subscriptions Insurance-D & O and State Fund Insurance • Events Liability Interest Miscellaneous Office Maintenance & Repairs Office Supplies Payroll Expenses Director's Wages Staff Wages Payroll Taxes	-9.57 20.00 637.72 1,107.50 178.70 1,529.13 5,722.32 300.22 -2,434.63 689.49 4,322.79 47,649 77 8,567 72 5,390 38
Total Payroll Expenses	61,607.87
Penalties Professional Fees Rent Security Taxes Utilities	220.00 2,138.25 6,320.00 130.55 10.00 5,196.14
Total Administrative Expenses	87,696.05
Event Expenses Advertising Awards/Banners/Posters Beverage Expense Entertainment Equipment Rental Labor/Repairs License/Permits/Inspection Mileage 8 Meetings Other Expense Postage & Delivery Marketing/ Promotions Sanitation Supplies	11,972.40 3,281.54 23,449.03 8,312.90 1,542.86 8,968.72 1,957.61 43.51 0.00 438.40 851.09 2,074.26 3,338.73
Total Event Expenses	66,231.05
Marketing Expenses Advertising & Promotions Mileage & Meetings Public Realtions	4.615.50 803.74 85.00



Downtown Lodi Business Partnership Profit & Loss

January through December 2008

08/09/09 Cash Basis

	Jan - Dec 08
Seminars 8 Marketing Campaigns	254 32
Total Marketing Expenses	5.758 56
Membership Labor/Repairs Newsletter Plaques 8 Trophies Postage and Delivery Quarterly Mixers Sunshine Committee	60 00 110.00 75.04 493.32 260.00 614.50
Total Membership	1,612.86
Revitalization Kiosk Update Map 3 Directory Brochures Downtown Beautification Supplies Labor/Repairs	555.36 1,740.00 407.04 710.00
Total Downtown Beautification	1,117.04
Total Revitalization	3,412.40
Total Expense	164,701. <u>35</u>
Net Ordinary Income	1,795.55
Other Income/Expense Other Income Insurance Proceeds Received Interest Income	2,730 00 4 57
Total Other Income	2,734.57
Other Expense Casualty/Theft Loss	3,230.00
Total Other Expense	3,230.00
Net Other Income	-495 43
Net Income	1.300.12

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08/09/09 Cash Basis

Downtown Lodi Business Partnership Balance Sheet

As of December 31,2008

Dec 31, 08

235.69

-133.00

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ASSETS Current Assets Checking/Savings	
Farmers 8 Merchants Bank Savings Account	-36.00 79.48
Petty Cash	92.24
Total Checking/Savings	135.72
Total Current Assets	135.72
Fixed Assets Accum Deprec-Equip Equipment Office Equipment 12/30/00 cost Accumulated Depreciation	2,96263 -2,96263
Total Office Equipment 12130100	0 00
Office Equipment 06/01/02 Cost Accumulated Depreciation	2,653.37 -2,29800
Total Office Equipment 06/01/02	355 37
PA System 07/16/2004 cost Accumulated Depreciation	1,156.12 -794.00
Total PA System 07/1 612004	362.12
Cell Phone 08110107 Cost Accumulated Depreciatino	549.18 -110.00
Total Cell Phone 08/10/07	439.18
Total Equipment	1,156.67
Computer Equipment HP LaserJet36 Printer 04/18/08 cost	479.46
Total HP LaserJet36 Printer 04118108	479 46
Laser Printer 03/24/05 Cost Accumulated Depreciation	700.89 -499.00
Total Laser Printer 03/24/05	201 89
Total Computer Equipment	681 35
Computers 08/29/06 Cost Accumulated Depreciation	3,75397 -1,95200
Total Computers 08/29/06	1,80197
Total Accum Deprec-Equip	3,63999
Furniture & Fixtures Vehicles	

Trailer 07/31/05

Total Trailer 07131105

Accumulated Depreciation

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08/09/09 Cash Basis

Downtown Lodi Business Partnership Balance Sheet

As of December 31,2008

	Dec 31.08
Total Vehicles	102.69
Daniger Table 8 8 Chairs 5/25/06 cost Accumulated Depreciation	839.00 -325.00
Total Daniger Table 8 8 Chairs5/25/06	514.00
Refigerator 06/02/08 cost	300 00
Total Refigerator 06/02/08	300.00
Storage Shelving Unit 05/09/08 cost	247.82
Total Storage Shelving Unit 05/09/08	247.02
Wine Garden FurnIture 07/29/04 cost Accumulated Depreciation	1,326.17 -912.00
Total Wine Garden Furniture 07/29/04	414.17
Total Furniture 8 Fixtures	1,578 68
Total Fixed Assets	5,218 67
TOTAL ASSETS	5,354.39
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities Current Liabilities Accounts Payable Accounts Payable	-500 00
Total Accounts Payable	-500 00
Other Current Liabilities Payroll Liabilities Employee Expense Reimbursement	2,275 21
Total Other Current Liabilities	2,264.45
Total Current Liabilities	1,764 45
Total Liabilities	1,764.45
Equity Retained Earnings Net Income	2,289.82 1,300.12
Total Equity	3,589.94
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	5,354.39





DOWNTOWN LODI BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP BENEFIT FEE SCHEDULE

BUSINESS TYPE	ZONE A	ZONE B
Retailers/Restaurants*	\$240 (1-3 Employees) \$360 (4-6 Employees) \$480 (7+ Employees)	\$120 \$180 \$240
Service Businesses Professional Businesses Financial Institutions	\$180 \$120 \$600	\$90 \$60 \$600

^{*}Note: Retail and restaurant businesses are assessed based on the number of employees - eitherfull-time, or the equivalent made up & multiple employees.

BUSINESS TYPE DEFINITIONS:

Retail and Restaurant – Businesses that buy and resell goods. Examples would be clothing stores, shoe stores, office supplies, as well as businesses that sell prepared food and drinks.

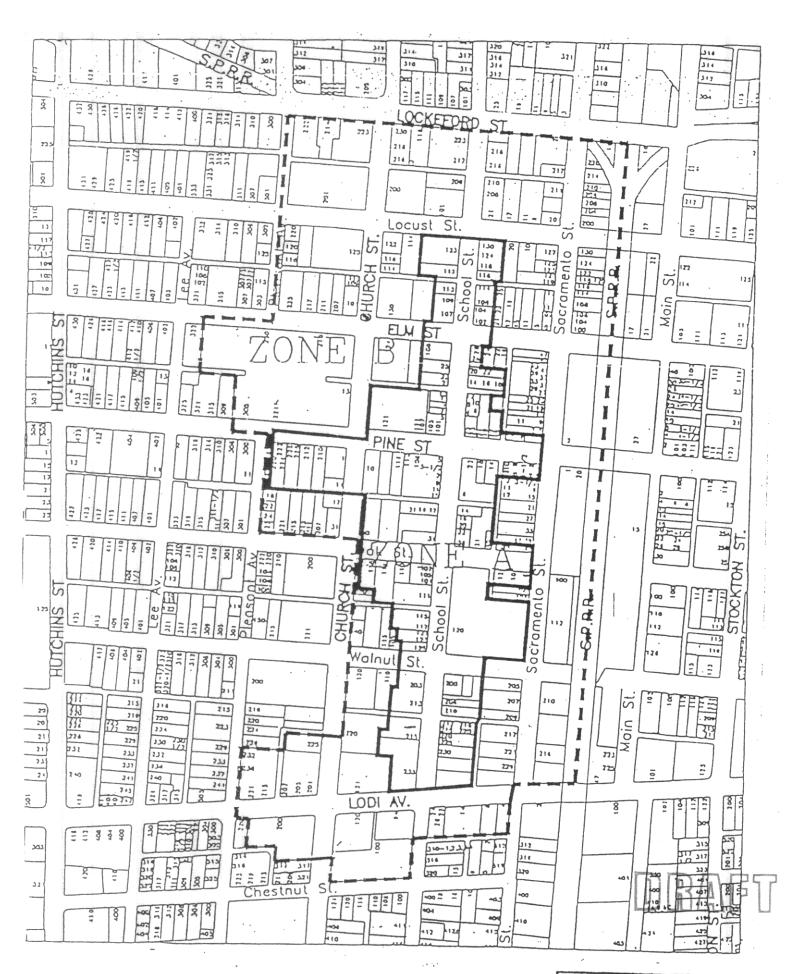
Service Businesses – Businesses that sell services. Examples are beauty and barber shops, repair shops, lodging, most automotive-orientedbusinesses, entertainment businesses such as theaters, etc.

Professional Businesses – Includes architects, engineers, attorneys, dentists, doctors, accountants, optometrists, realtors, insurance offices, mortgage brokers and most other businesses which require advanced or specialized licenses, and/or advanced academic degrees.

Financial Institutions – Includes banking and savings and loan institutions, as well as credit unions, etc.

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A detailed Marketing Plan describing the below bullet points will be included in the final copy of the annual report submitted and presented at the council meeting on August 19, 2009

2008 Accomplishments

Brand Image Campaign

- New Logo
- Redesigned Website
- Revamped Brochure
- Developed and Installed New Kiosk Maps

Downtown Beautification

- New Street Light Banners
- Flower Planting of City Pots
- Co-funded Sidewalk Power Washing Project
- Downtown Holiday Decorations 25' Tree in Post Office Plaza, Holiday Banners, Fresh Swags on Street Corners

Media Relations

- TV Spots on Good Day Sacramento and Channel 13 News
- Radio Spots on KJOY
- News Articles in Lodi News-Sentinel, Stockton Record, San Joaquin Magazine
- Network with the Media and Public Through Interactive Web Pages; Twitter, Facebook

Events To Drive Traffic To Downtown

- Downtown Lodi Certified Farmers Market
- Parade of Lights
- "Stuck in Lodi" Car Show
- Grape Festival Youth Parade
- Downtown Trick-or-Treat & Fall Festival
- Winterfest; Horse-drawn Carriage Rides, Photos with Santa
- Merchant Promotions and Window Decorating Contests

Community Outreach

- Represented Downtown on Committees for City-wide Activities
- Participated in Various Expos Outside of Lodi
- Coordinate and Promote School Field Trips and Safety Fairs

Member Benefits

- Quarterly Mixers
- Bi-Monthly Newsletter
- Lodi News-Sentinel Tab Insert
- Business Referral Database
- Business Directory and Link on Website
- Member Discounts on Marketing Programs





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2009 Goals/Accomplishments

Develop Relationships with Downtown Property Owners

- Created a new web component that allows property owners to list their available downtown properties, contact information and photos.

Explore Additional Funding Sources

- Researching grants that apply to downtown development
- Joined the California Downtown Association (CDA)

Expand Current Programs

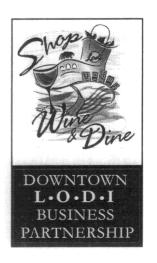
- Designed a marketing bundle package for members and non-members which includes: Annual Banner Attachment Program, Website Advertisement and Website Page with Link.

Enhance Existing Events

- Redesigned the layout of Farmers Market to include a wine garden featuring all four downtown wine tasting rooms and live entertainment on the North end of the market.

The Downtown Lodi Business Partnership is constantly exploring new ways to better promote and market downtown. We will be keeping council and staff updated on the progress and success & the organization.





DOWNTOWN LODI BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP EVENTS

Farmers Market Overview

Downtown Lodi Business Partnership hosts The Downtown Certified Farmers Market. The family friendly market is held every Thursday evening beginning in June throughout the end of September.

Over 25 certified farmers offer an array of fresh produce and flowers. 50 homemade and commercial arts and craft vendors line the streets of downtown attracting over 5,000 attendees each week. An upscale beer garden which offers Lodi's local brew is located adjacent from the entertainment stage. The stage hosts live music performed by local bands. along with dance performances, comedy acts and competitions. A wine garden featuring downtown's wine tasting rooms accompaniated by music.



The entertainment also includes theme nights such as Hawaiian, Mardi Gras, Country Western and Patriotic, where there are free

giveaways, contests and family fun. The Food Court accompanies the market offering a wide variety of choices including hot dogs, HHQ, salads, Philippine cuisine, snow cones, smoothies and more. A Kids Zone invites kids of all ages to jump in bouncing houses, get their face painted and interact with clowns, balloon artists and animals. The Farmers Market is Lodi's summer signature event that has something for everyone!

New Developments and Future Plans for Farmers Market

- Contracted with UCP for clean-up on early Friday mornings during the Farmers Market season. The increased attendance of the market has caused a need for added clean-up. The DLBP and UCP is committed to making downtown look clean and attractive after the market and in perfect time for the weekend welcoming out-of-town visitors and our community.
- Added a Wine Garden which highlights all four downtown wine tasting rooms; cellardoor, Grands Amis, Benson Ferry and Dancing Fox. The Wine Garden is set up on the North end of the market to stimulate more activity and to offer a variety of atmospheres.
- **Is** providing a photograph and copy each week to the Lodi News Sentinel profiling a Farmers Market vendor. The editorial piece is published in every Thursday's newspaper which increases visibility of the event.

Parade of Lights Overview

The Downtown Lodi Business Partnership presents the annual Parade of Lights – a magical holiday parade that illuminates the streets of downtown Lodi. The countless lights, floats, marching bands, dance groups and themed vehicles will entertain thousands of viewers on the first Thursday in December at 6:17 p.m. along the streets of downtown. The one mile route begins on Pine Street and continues down Church Street, Lodi Avenue, School Street and Locust.

A brilliantly lit horse-drawn carriage kicks off the festivities featuring the grand marshal. The spectacular parade concludes with holiday cheer from Santa Claus riding atop a Lodi fire truck.

Over 50,000 people of all ages line the streets of downtown. The Downtown Lodi Business Partnership invites all to be part of this signature event, Parade of Lights, which has become a cherished family tradition.



New Developments and Future Plans for Parade of Lights

- Working on creating even more exposure of the parade and encouraging tourism to Lodi by submitting event information and photos to a variety of publications and media in the Northern California region.

Grape Festival Youth Parade Overview

On the Saturday of the Grape Festival, the youth of Lodi parade the streets of downtown incorporating the theme of the event which takes place in September. Participants are given free entry into the Grape Festival the day of the parade, ribbons, goodie bags, snacks and the chance to win a trophy for win, place or show in various categories.

New Developments and Future Plans for Grape Festival Youth Parade

- To increase participation in the parade, over 10,000 applications were distributed to the the elementary schools, churches and community service groups.
- To reduce costs, the DLBP is actively obtaining donations.



- Has developed a sponsorship package and is securing financial supporters increasing revenue to ensure the traditional event will persist.
- Scheduling walking vendors selling kettle corn, cotton candy, snow cones and more to create a more festive environment for the spectators.
- Is partnering with the Grape Festival to cross promote our events and to raise awareness of the event.

Downtown Trick-or-Treat and Fall Festival Overview

The merchants downtown invite the community to trick-or-treat at their establishments on the Saturday before Halloween between 12 noon and 4 p.m. The Fall Festival has many family activities which include; live music, a food court, pumpkin painting, petting zoo, face painting and costume contests.

New Developments and Future Plans for Downtown Trick-or-Treat and Fall Festival

- Contacting local talent agencies, colleges and performing arts groups to find acts such as; stilt walking, unicycling and clowns to create a more of a carnival experience.
- Working with a church group to help put on traditional carnival games and contests.
- Contacting farmers to start a pumpkin contest; largest, strangest, etc.



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Winterfest Overview

Downtown Lodi celebrates the holiday season throughout the month of December and decorates the streets with lights, a 25' Christmas tree, holiday banners and fresh swags assembled by local boyscouts on the street poles. On the first two Saturdays, a horse-drawn carriage offers rides for only \$1 per person and trots along the streets



of downtown. The merchants downtown display their holiday spirit and compete for the best decorated window and lighted storefront.

New Developments and Future Plans for Winterfest

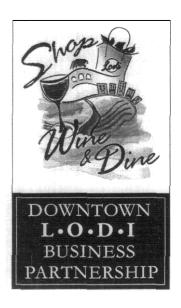
- Scheduling Christmas carolers to stroll the streets adding holiday ambiance.
- Encouraging merchants to host their holiday open houses on the scheduled Saturdays.
- Exploring the possibility of having homemade holiday craft vendors.

Annual "Stuck In Lodi" Car Show

The American Steel Car Club in conjunction with the DLBP hosts the annual "Stuck in Lodi" Car Show downtown in the month of August. Street rods and classic cars line the streets of downtown Lodi accompanied by a poker walk, live music, raffles, and awards.

Music in the Street

Downtown's newest event presented by Temple Baptist Church hosts a free concert on the Elm Street Starburst. The concert geared to the younger crowd on a Saturday night, provides a safe and entertaining evening.



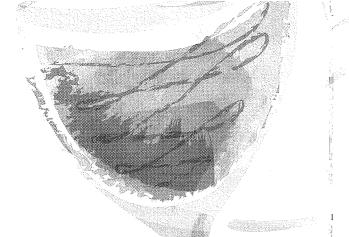
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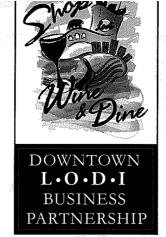
The Downtown Lodi Business Partnership, comprised of business owners, professionals and merchants, is a non-profit association developed to encourage growth and prosperity in the Downtown Community of Lodi, and to maintain its economic health on an on-going basis.

This will be accomplished by:

- Encouraging development of new businesses, while retaining and revitalizing existing businesses
- Promoting retail activity by creating and maintaining a quality environment through coordinated advertising and downtown events
- Serving as an advocate for downtown businesses in dealing with local government, maintenance projects, the media and general public

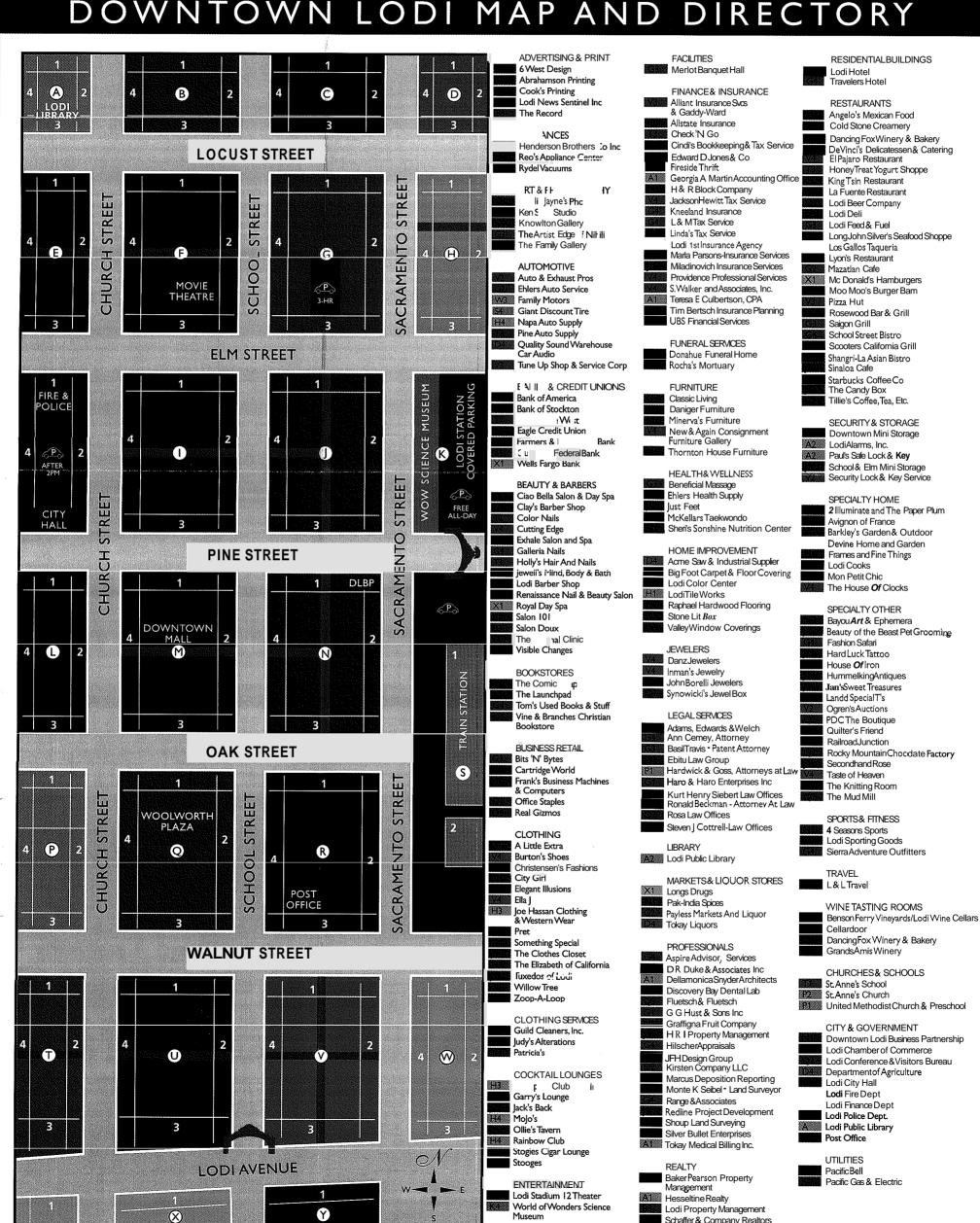






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DOWNTOWN LODI MAP AND DIRECTORY



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downtown events

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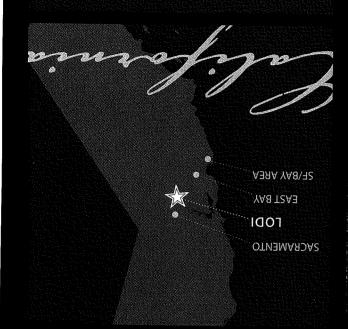
Church Street. Proceed to Lodi Ave. Lane. Continue on Kettleman Lane. Turn Left on As you approach Lodi, Hwy 12 becomes Kettleman HWY 12 EAST

Church St. Proceed to Lodi Ave. Take HWY 12- Kettleman Lane Exit. Turn Left on FROM 1-5 NORTH

through the light on Lockeford St. 6 miles. Turn Right on Church Street. Proceed Take the Turner Road Exit. Continue approximately HTUOR 2-1 MORF

Pine St. Continue on Pine through the Lodi Arch. Take Cherokee Exit. Proceed 2 miles. Turn Left on FROM HWY 99 NORTH

Proceed through the light on Lockeford St. Take the Turner Road Exit. Turn Left on Church St. FROM HWY 99 SOUTH



For a detailed calendar of events visit our website: www.dountounlodi.com

Winterfest, car shows, parades and more. Year-round there are many other festivities that include; Hall Hest, Holiday

and themed vehicles.

the first Thursday in December with countless lights, floats, marching bands, dance groups Parade of Lights A magical holiday parade illuminates the streets of downtown Lodi on

crafts and enjoy live music and a variety of food.

throughout the end of September. You can find the freshest local produce, handmade Market. The family friendly market is held every Thursday evening beginning in June Farmers Market Downtown's signature summer experience is the Certified Farmers



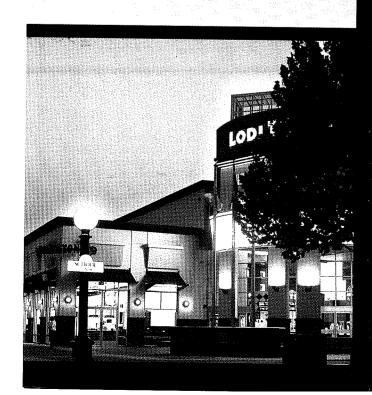
oung and old at heart. Beautiful tree lined streets, life-size murals and historic **Charm** downtown provides a safe, fun, family atmosphere where there is something for the

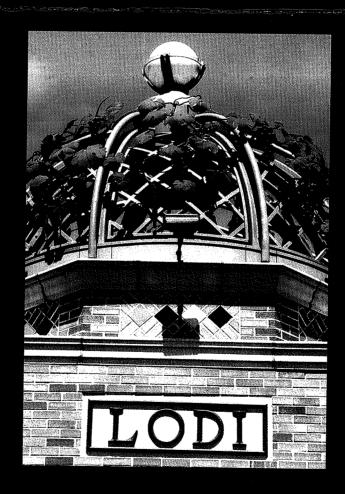
Downtown Lodi Invites you to shop, wine and dine and \exp

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Please visit www.downtownlodi.com regularly for news on local events, updates and more or call 209.369.8052





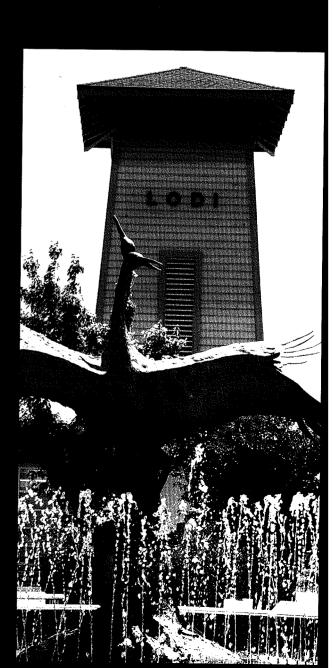


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ASSESSMENT OF THE DOWNTOWN LODI BUSINESS PARTNERS (DLBP)

The Mission Statement of the DLBP is to:

- Encourage the development of new businesses, while retaining and revitalizing existing businesses
- Promote retail activity by creating and maintaining a quality environment through co-operative advertising and special events in the downtown area
- Serve as an advocate for downtown businesses in dealing with local government, maintenance projects, the media and general public

with the Mission Statement of the DI

- Abrahamson Printing has been located in downtown **Lodi** since 1929, 80 years of service to Lodi and surrounding areas this October. Since the purchase of Abrahamson Printing in 2006, the DLBP has only contacted our business twice.
- Abrahamson Printing is not a retail store. We are a manufacturer of a custom product. There
 has been no co-operative advertisement or special event through the DLBP that our business has
 benefited from.
- Through the DLBP 2009 Downtown Lodi Live Section of the Lodi News Sentinel, Abrahamson Printing did promote our celebration of 80 years.

General Observations

- Originally when the DLBP was in its planning stages, Abrahamson Printing was told we would be exempt from mandatory payment because we were manufacturing a custom product. The city needs to be made aware of the discrepancies made to Abrahamson Printing before the DLBP was in effect. Because of this, Abrahamson Printing, with no prior notice, was mailed a mandatory bill. After much debate and argument Abrahamson Printing was told we had to pay regardless or be subject to fines on top of the payment due. This is where the anger, resentment and lack of support started on behalf of Abrahamson Printing.
- Abrahamson Printing does not have a store front nor do we have a window. We struggle with the fact that many people do not know where we are located though we've been in our current location since 1947 and have been in downtown Lodi since opening our doors in 1929.
- I do not agree that basement/underground businesses and a second story business with low visibility should have to pay the same amount as a store front with a window and high visibility. We are being held accountable for a mandatory payment when we do not have control of our low visible business location!

Personally, I am sick and tired of all the negative talk among the downtown businesses regarding the DLBP. It is draining and exhausting even more *so*, when those businesses who are complaining do not get involved or state how they feel when asked. I attended three board meetings (February, March and April) in the hopes to have my eyes opened to what the DLBP is **all** about instead of listening to the negativity of my DLBP business neighbors.

After attending my first meeting, I went to the DLBP website and was extremely disappointed. The monthly meeting for February was posted for School Street Bistro and it had been changed to the DLBP. This is a violation of the Brown Act. It was not posted 72 hours before the meeting.

Other inaccurate information on the website were the Events and Marketing Meetings met at 10 am on Tuesdays when it should have stated 9:30 am on Mondays. No minutes were reported from July of 2007 to February of 2009 and July and August of 2009 is currently not posted as of August 31. Also the Board of Directors was not the correct board members. Currently these issues have been resolved. However, these should never have been issues to begin with.

At the March 9th Board Meeting the financial reports were not prepared or available to the board. Is this a violation of the Brown Act?

I can honestly say that after attending three meetings that my mind has not changed. On several occasions I had questions and suggestions and was made to feel belittled and unimportant by two of the board members.

My greatest disappointment was when Jamie Watts promoted and spoke to the **Icdi** Kiwanis Club in March. Not one member of the board took time to encourage, represent or show support to Mrs. Watts in her presentation. I was the only 'downtown' business there. To further my frustration, the attached DLBP brochure was given to every Kiwanis member. During Mrs. Watts's presentation she promoted how the DLBP works with the downtown businesses. Three Kiwanis members came to me after her presentation and stated they were impressed with the great printing job. Sadly, I had to tell these people that not only did I not print the job; Abrahamson Printing was never even offered the opportunity to quote the job.

In closing, as an 80 year old business that has been in the downtown area for that entire time, the DLBP has not contributed, helped or shown an interested effort in my business. Should the DLBP close, I know the Lodi Chamber of Commerce would gladly promote, coordmate and continue servicing the downtown events currently being done by the DLBP. Many downtown businesses feel that between the DLBP and Lodi Chamber of Commerce it is double dipping from their pockets.

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Respectfully submitted,

John A. Atwood, Abrahamson Printing, Owner

June Atwood Aaker, Abrahamson Printing, Typesetting and Sales



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CITY OF LODI P. O. BOX 3006 LODI, CALIFORNIA 95241-1910

ADVERTISING INSTRUCTIONS

SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER LEVY OF ANNUAL

ASSESSMENT FOR DOWNTOWN LODI BUSINESS

IMPROVEMENT AREA NO. 1

PUBLISH DATE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 22,2009

LEGAL AD

TEAR SHEETS WANTED: One (1) please

SEND AFFIDAVIT AND BILL TO: RANDI JOHL, CITY CLERK

City of Lodi P.O. Box 3006 *Lodi,* CA 95241-1910

DATED: THURSDAY, AUGUST 20,2009

ORDERED BY: RANDI JOHL

CITY CLERK

ENNIFER M. ROBISON, CMC ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

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DECLARATION OF POSTING

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER LEVY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR DOWNTOWN LODI BUSINESS IMPROVEMENTAREA NO. ■

On Friday, August 21, 2009, in the City of Lodi, San Joaquin County, California, a copy of a Notice of Public Hearing to consider levy of annual assessment for Downtown Lodi Business Improvement Area No. 1 (attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A") was posted at the following four locations:

Lodi Public Library Lodi City Clerk's Office Lodi City Hall Lobby Lodi Carnegie Forum

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on August 21, 2009, at Lodi, California.

ORDERED BY:

RANDI JOHL CITY CLERK

ENNIFER M. ROBISON, CMC

MARIA BECERRA ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK

NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING**

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-117

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO LEVY ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR DOWNTOWNLODI BUSINESS IMPROVEMENTAREA NO. 1, ESTABLISHING PUBLIC HEARING DATE. AND APPROVING ANNUAL REPORT

WHEREAS, Downtown Lodi Business Improvement Area No. I was established December 17, 1997, by City Council adoption of ordinance 1654; and

WHEREAS, the annual report as required by Streets and Highways Code §536533 has been submitted to the Council by the Board of Directors of said improvement area.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby resolve, determine, and finds as follows:

- 1. Approves the Annual Report as submitted, said report being on file with the City Clerk.
- 2. Establishes September 2, 2009, in the City Council Chambers, Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street, Lodi, California, at 7:00 p.m., or soon thereafter as possible, as the date, place, and time to hold the public hearing required by Streets and Highways Code **§**36534.
- 3. It is the intention of the City Council to levy and collect assessments within the parking and business improvement area for calendar year 2010 (the Area's fiscal year).
- 4. The boundaries of the entire area to be included in the Area and the boundaries of each separate benefit zone within the area set forth in a Map, Exhibit D, incorporated herein by reference. A true and correct copy of the map is on file with the City Clerk of the City of Lodi.
- 5. The types of improvements and activities proposed to be funded by the levy of assessments on businesses in the Area include marketing and promotional efforts; event coordination; and other activities with the goal to promote retail activities. A detailed description of activities is include in the Annual Report, Exhibit A, and incorporated by reference.
- 6. At the time of the public hearing, written and oral protests may be made. The form and manner of protests shall comply with Streets and Highways Code § 36524 and 36525.

Date: August 19,2009

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2009-117 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held August 19,2009, by the following vote:

'AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - Hitchcock, Johnson, Katzakian, Mounce, and

Mayor Hansen

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSTAIN:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

City Clerk

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September 3,2009

Jamie Watts
Executive Director
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RE: RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE 2010 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE DOWNTOWN LODI BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA NO. 1 AND LEVY OF ASSESSMENT

The Lodi City Council, at its meeting of September 2, 2009, adopted the enclosed resolution confirming the 2010 Annual Report for the Downtown Lodi Business Improvement Area No. 1 and levy of assessment.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the City Clerk's Office.

Sincerely,

January (IRObison Jennifer M. Robison Assistant City Clerk

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Enclosure